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LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES ARRIVAL OF NEW FIRE BOAT Boat Christening Ceremony, March 16, 2005

WHO: Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe (4th District)

Los Angeles County Fire Department, Fire Chief P. Michael Freeman

WHAT: Boat Christening Ceremony for new Fire Boat 110

WHERE: Burton Chace Park, 13650 Mindanao Way, Marina del Rey

WHEN: Wednesday, March 16, 2005 – 4:00 PM

The Los Angeles County Fire Department is proud to announce the arrival of its new fire boat, a 40' Kvichak. The innovative and modern technology of Fire Boat 110 will offer the Los Angeles County Fire Department a larger pumping capacity and the ability for quicker response to fires and rescues. It replaces equipment placed into service in 1976 and will be permanently quartered on the waterfront outside of Fire Station 110 in Marina del Rey.

Fire Boat 110 will be escorted to the ceremony by boats from the Los Angeles County Fire Department's Lifeguard Division, United States Coast Guard, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Los Angeles Fire Department, Long Beach Fire Department, Santa Monica Harbor Patrol, and Marina del Rey Harbor Patrol.

Joining Supervisor Knabe and Chief Freeman to christen the boat will be local resident and businesswoman Mary Anne Bradley. Ms. Bradley is an active community member and long-time friend and supporter of the Los Angeles County Fire Department and Fire Station 110 in particular.

The media will be provided the opportunity to ride on the new fire boat.

For more information, please contact Maria Grycan, Community Services Representative at (310) 456-7923 or cell (213) 247-7298 or contact Public Affairs at (323) 881-2413.

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